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Ohio Turnpike Issues Roadway Construction Update by County

BEREA, Ohio (April 20, 2023) – The roadway construction season on the Ohio Turnpike is underway.

The Ohio Turnpike and Infrastructure Commission is urging motorists to have patience and drive safely through work zones by maintaining the posted speed limit, establishing a safe following distance, paying attention to the signs, avoiding distractions, and being prepared to slow down or stop.

Here is an updated list and schedule of roadway construction projects along the 241-mile toll road by county from west to east:

Williams and Fulton Counties

Work on the Ohio Turnpike's base pavement replacement project, which stretches from the Ohio/Indiana border to the existing Westgate Toll Plaza at milepost 2.7 in Williams County is underway.

During the first phase of the project, the pavement will be replaced on the westbound side of the turnpike. During the second phase, the pavement will be replaced on the eastbound side of the turnpike.

During the westbound pavement replacement, eastbound traffic will be reduced to one lane entering Ohio and westbound traffic will be reduced to one lane leaving Ohio.

During the eastbound pavement replacement, eastbound traffic will again be reduced to one lane and westbound traffic will also be reduced to one lane.

The work has begun and is expected to be completed by late November 2023.

Beginning in mid-May 2023, a two-year pavement resurfacing project that stretches from milepost 14.8 to milepost 27.55 in Williams and Fulton counties for both the eastbound and westbound directions will begin.

The initial phase of the project will involve pavement repairs, drainage improvements, and guardrail upgrades.

The second phase of the project, which will start in May 2024, includes pavement resurfacing of the left and right lanes as well as the left and right shoulders.

To minimize the impact on travelers during construction, most of the work will be performed at night to allow for two lanes of traffic during the daytime.

The first phase of the project is expected to be completed by November 2023, and the second phase is expected to be completed by November 2024.

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Lorain and Cuyahoga Counties

Bridge deck replacement and rehabilitation of the Ohio Turnpike's ramp bridge over state Route 57 at milepost 145.1 (Lorain County) and the Stearns Road bridge over the turnpike at milepost 154.6 (Cuyahoga County) are underway.

Race Road bridge over the turnpike at milepost 149.2 (Lorain County) will close for repairs in mid-May 2023.

Access to state Route 57 southbound from the turnpike is currently detoured while work on the ramp bridge continues. All other ramp traffic to-and-from the turnpike will be maintained with temporary lane closures during the project.

The overhead bridge on Stearns Road is closed and detour routes with signage are being used during the construction work.

The work on all three bridges is expected to be completed by fall 2023.

To expedite the reconstruction of Stearns Road in Olmsted Township, which includes pavement, sewer and drainage, and water line projects, the turnpike commission has partnered with the Cuyahoga County Department of Public Works. The project will continue into late 2024.

Erie County

For motorists traveling on the Ohio Turnpike during the weekends of April 21, April 28, and May 5 – and driving through Toll Plaza 118 (Sandusky-Norwalk) in Erie County – the eastbound exit ramp to U.S. 250 and the eastbound entrance ramp from U.S. 250 to the turnpike will be closed for pavement resurfacing and additional work.

The westbound exit ramp to U.S. 250 and the westbound entrance ramp from U.S. 250 to the turnpike will remain open.

All entrance and exit ramps from the turnpike to Toll Plaza 118 will remain open.

The work is expected to be completed by the end of July 2023.

[Click here](#) for the full list of 2023 construction projects by county.

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